

POTTSVILLE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Directors
Committee Meeting
July 12, 2023

Academic Center Board Room
6:00 PM

Present: Dr. Blankenhorn, Mrs. Buchanan,
Dr. Cardamone, Mrs. Dewitt,
Mr. Shields, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Urban,
Ms. Wytovich, Mrs. Stair, Business
Manager; Mrs. Lombel, Asst. Business
Manager/Board Secretary
Absent: Dr. Yoder, Mr. Ciavarella

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Michael Cardamone.

Dr. Cardamone - Board Statement

- A reminder to the public that the public comment period is not a question and answer period, but rather the opportunity for the public to submit comments to the Board. Public comments will follow our public comment procedures which require members of the public to identify themselves by indicating name and address. If members of the public wish to make public comments, then they must do so in person.

Roll Call -8 members present; 1 member absent. Dr. Yoder, Superintendent, absent.

There were no public comments.

Recommendations by the Superintendent for approval at the July 19, 2023, Board Meeting. Dr. Gerace made the recommendations in absence of Dr. Yoder.

1. Approval of Credits
Paula Heffner - 6 Credits

2. Credit Reimbursements
Natasha Bubnis - \$300.00
Kelly Lombel - \$3,390.00
Rachelle Price - \$1662.00
Anya Wood - \$1,662.00

3. Approve the 23-24 Dental Examiners at a rate of at most \$1.50 per exam:
- Dr. Joseph Chipriano
 - Dr. Scott Fellows
 - Dr. Brenda Jenkins
 - Dr. Elizabeth Puddu

- Dr. Michael Smink
- Geisinger Health Plan – Dental

4. Tenure - Christopher Kovaleski

Recommendations by the Athletics and Extracurricular Activities Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Football play clocks (Nevco) - \$5,400.
2. The Lifeguard Store - Pool starting blocks - (need 6) - \$2,939.94 each. Total cost - \$17,639.64
3. Webster's Fitness Products Inc. - Weight Room Equipment - \$19,230.00. Installation included. Co-Stars #14-059
4. 23-24 Ticket Prices - Can be purchased online or at the Gate. There are 6 Football games this season. *Note - If Senior Citizens do not have a Crimson Card, they would pay \$3.00 if purchased online and \$5.00 if paying cash at the gate. Pottsville residents over 62 are eligible for a Crimson Card.

5. Athletic Coaches

- Resignation of Olivia Wingle as Girls JV Basketball Coach
- Brett Ennis will move from 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach to Girls Junior Varsity Coach
- Sean Jones will move from 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach to 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
- Allison Parker will be new 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

6. Volunteer Coaches

- Varsity Football - Anthony Kelly
- Girls Soccer - Dante McCoy
- Girls Basketball - Olivia Wingle

Recommendations by the Facilities and Grounds Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Change order on paving from Lehigh Asphalt. The change order would be for sidewalks and curbs. The change order will be reviewed by the solicitor.

2. Use of Facilities

New Martz Hall Sign is in place. All sign sponsors are sold; waiting for PPL. There is rust on the new set of steps from 16th Street to Martz Hall parking lot. Company was notified of the rust. There are some dead trees on the campus; they will be taken down.

Recommendation by the Transportation Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Agreement with Bus Patrol America for a term of 5 years, which includes the installation, maintenance and support of Bus Patrol equipment on District buses, pending solicitor's review. This will be at zero cost to the district.

Bus Patrol America provides cameras for school buses free of charge.

Recommendations by the Finance Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Comparison reports – Total revenue – increase of \$3,321,944. As of June 2023 pre-audit revenues were \$47,422, 982. Revenues came in over budgeted revenues by \$615,935. Total expense increased over 2022 by \$1,620.087. As of June 30, 2023 pre-audit expenditures were \$42,194,043 or 9.86% under budget.

2. Agreement with Progressive Pediatric Therapy, LLC for OT Services.

3. Behavioral Health Associates Agreement

4. River Rock Academy Agreement for students 7th to 12th grade

5. Dual Enrollment Agreement with Kutztown University

Recommendation by the Technology Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Migrate existing onsite Follett Destiny Library databases to Follett Destiny Cloud for one-time cost of \$1,538.90; cost for annual renewal of Follett Destiny Library access and support is \$2,969.22.

2. Agreement with Fraser Advanced Information systems to migrate existing print server with PaperCut software to new server for a one-time cost of \$537.00.

3. Purchase/Verkada security cameras and licensing from Dauphin DataCom for a cost of \$11,031.94 through PEPPM contract.

4. Agreement with Global Data Consultants to install and configure VMWare vCenter with a 3 year support license for a cost of \$3,469.39.

5. Purchase 11 fingerprint readers for each buildings cafeteria and renew the 1 year of software support from Educational Biometric Technology for a cost of \$2,569.95.

Recommendation by the Curriculum Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Approve DHH Lengel Middle School's 2023-2024 A-TSI Title I School Plan and John S. Clarke Elementary Center's 2023 - 2024 TSI Title I School Plan for a thirty (30) day review. The plans will be posted on the District's website for review.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

According to the United States Department of Health and Human Services website, the federal Public Health Emergency (PHE) for COVID-19, declared under Section 319 of the Public Health Service (PHS) Act, expired at the end of the day on May 11, 2023. However, The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act requires LEA's to review their Health and Safety Plans at least every six months during the period of the LEA's ARP ESSER grant. Since no significant changes have occurred pertaining to Covid-19, our recommendation is to affirm the current plan.

Recommendation by the Policy and Procedure Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

Approval of Policies:

202 - Eligibility of Nonresident Students -- Pending solicitor's review

301 - Creating a Position

302 - Employment of Superintendent/ Assistant Superintendent

Retire Policies:

301 - Administration - Creating a Position

302 - Administration - Employment of Superintendent/ Assistant Superintendent

303 - Administration - Employment of Administrators

401 - Professional - Creating a Position

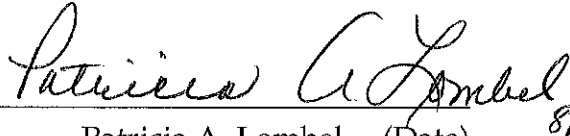
501 - Support - Creating a Position

Recommendation by the Food Services Committee for approval at the July 19, 2023 Board Meeting:

1. Agreement for Participation in the Child Nutrition Program between the Pottsville Area School District and Schuylkill Intermediate Unit 29 and Schuylkill County AVTS Operating Agency.

An Executive Session was held from 7:15 pm to 8:44 pm to discuss personnel matters.

There being no further new business, the meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.



Patricia A. Lombel (Date) 8/16/23
Board Secretary